



*designing the public realm  
for social, environmental,  
and economic sustainability.  
one block at a time.*

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Consensus Plan Review: Greenville City Park





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Tonight, you can help us by providing input on the design direction and the new scheme in four ways:

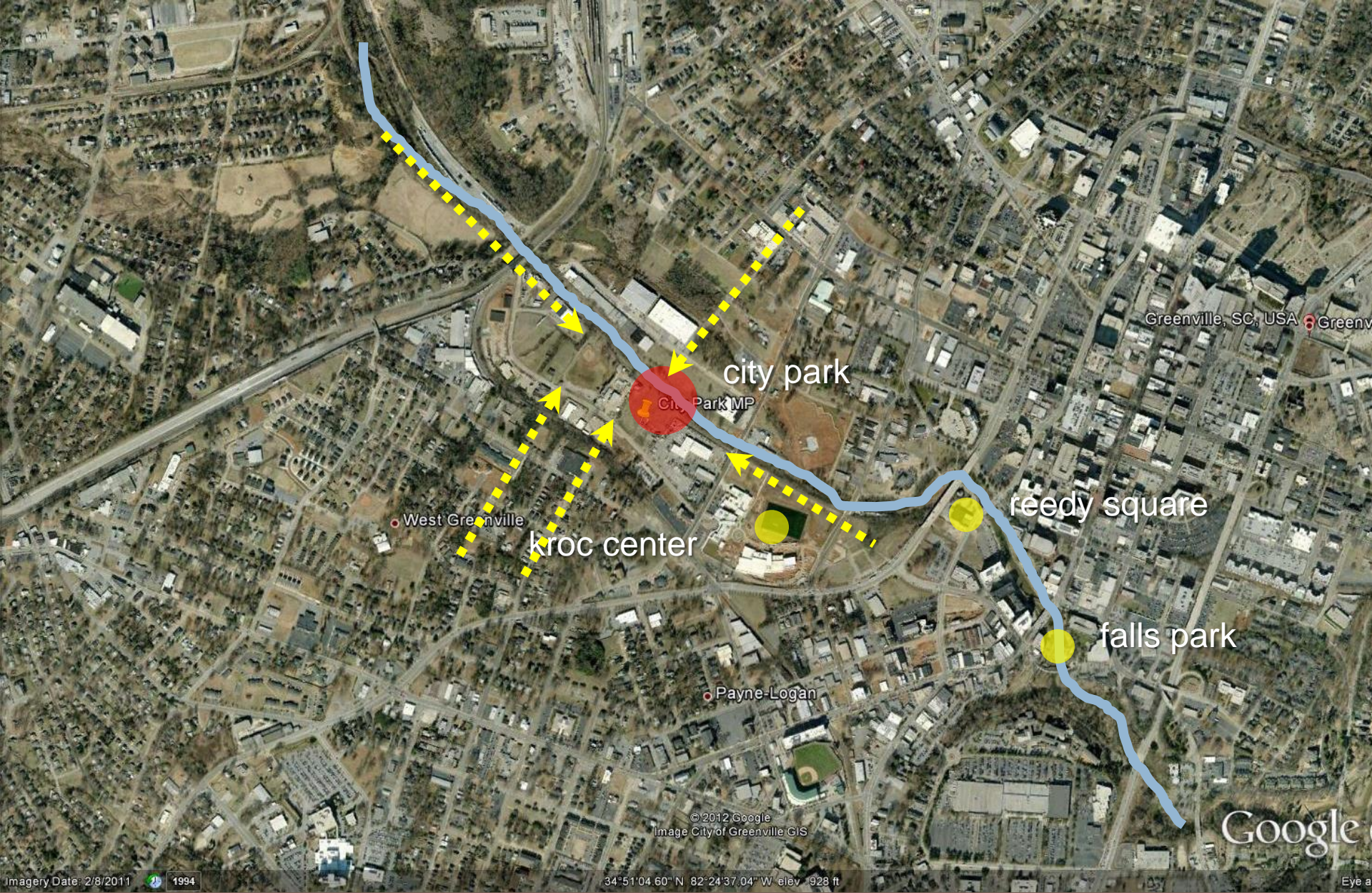
1. Open Q&A and discussion (after the presentation)
2. Visual Preference Survey: Dotmocracy
3. Post It Notes -- Comments on the Drawings
4. Comment Cards -- Use the Back Side Too!

Input

Tell Us What You Think



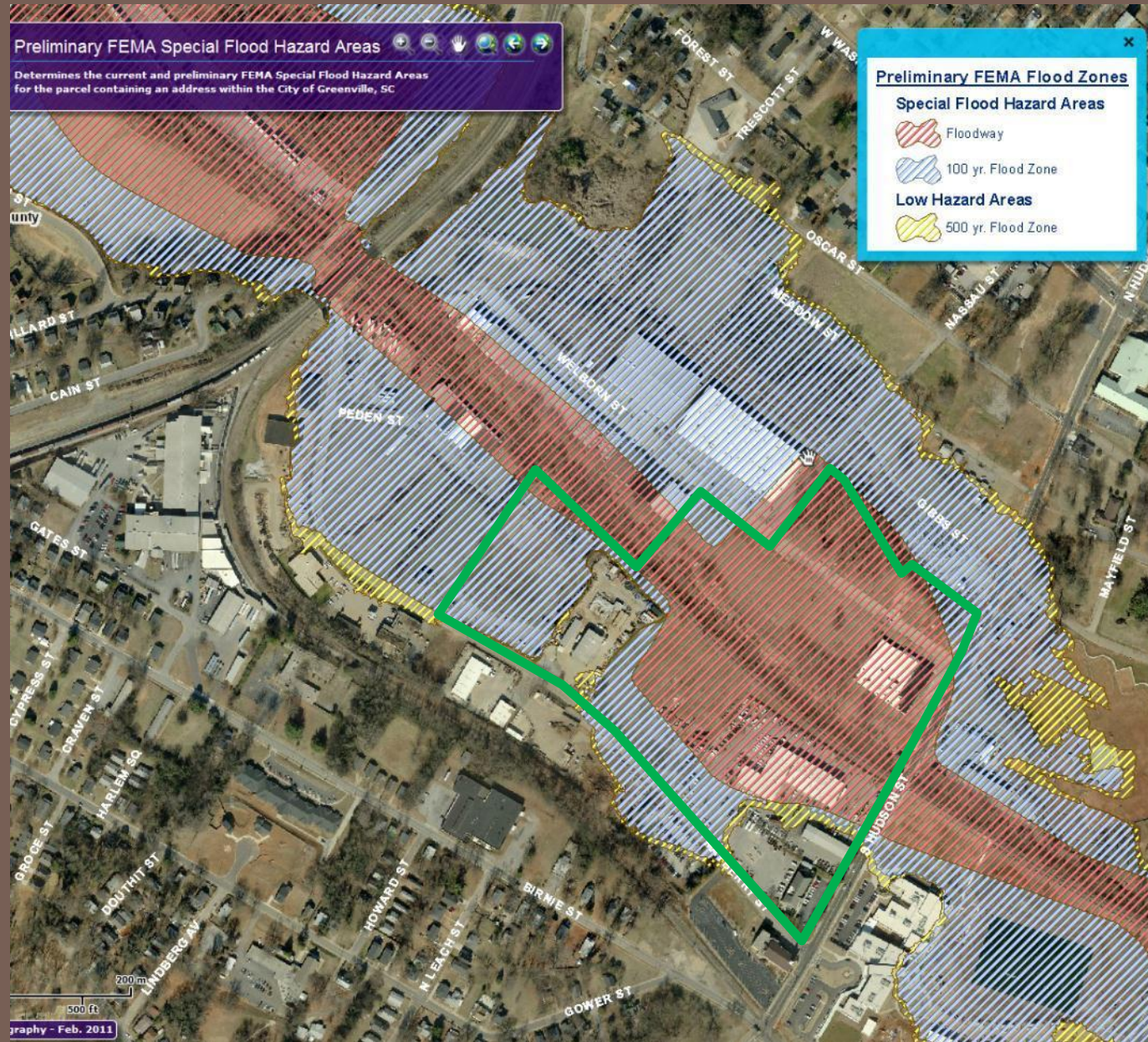




Park Site

+ Context





Park Site

+ Flood Zones



view from the southeast

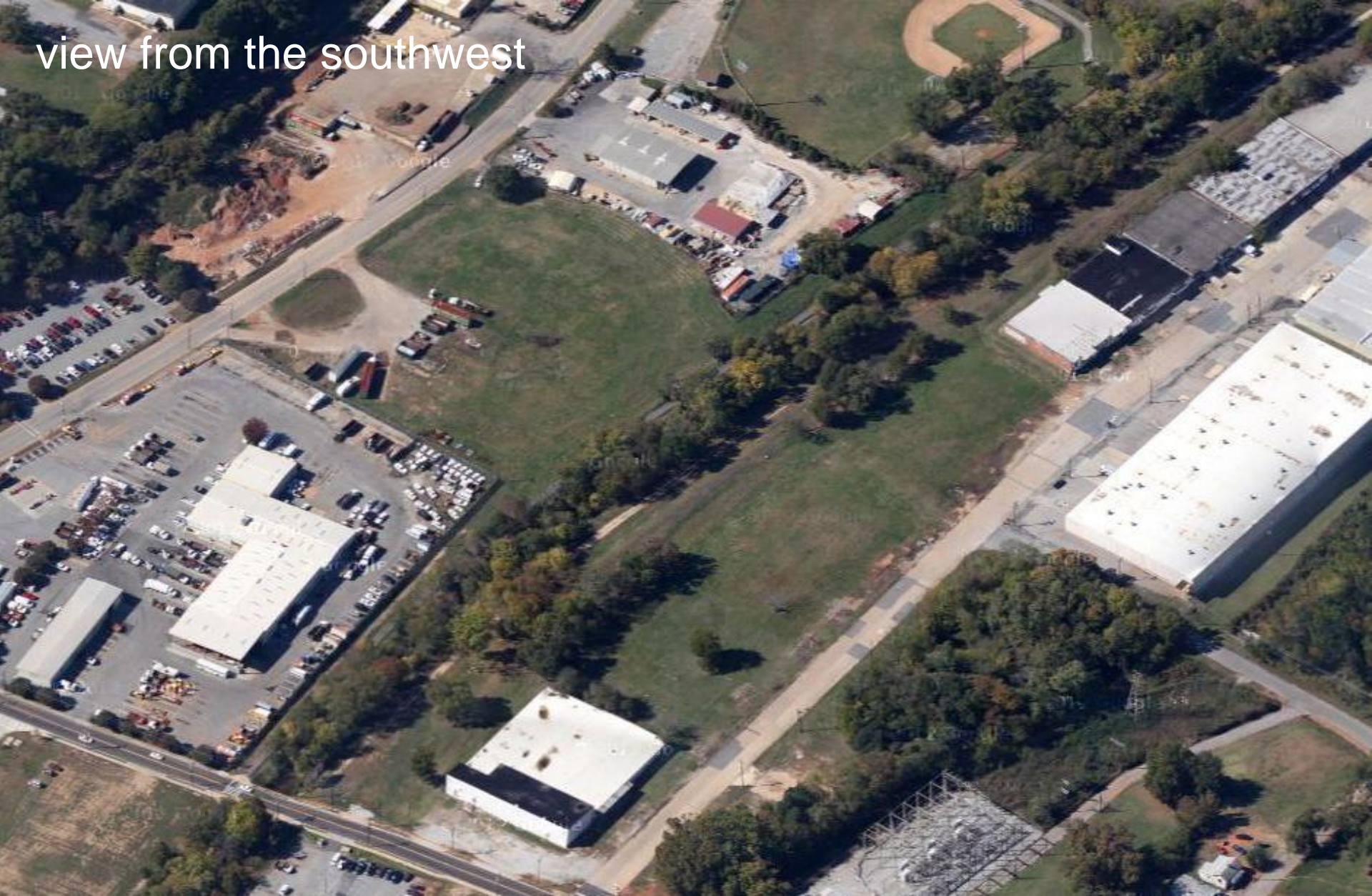


Park Site

+ Views



view from the southwest

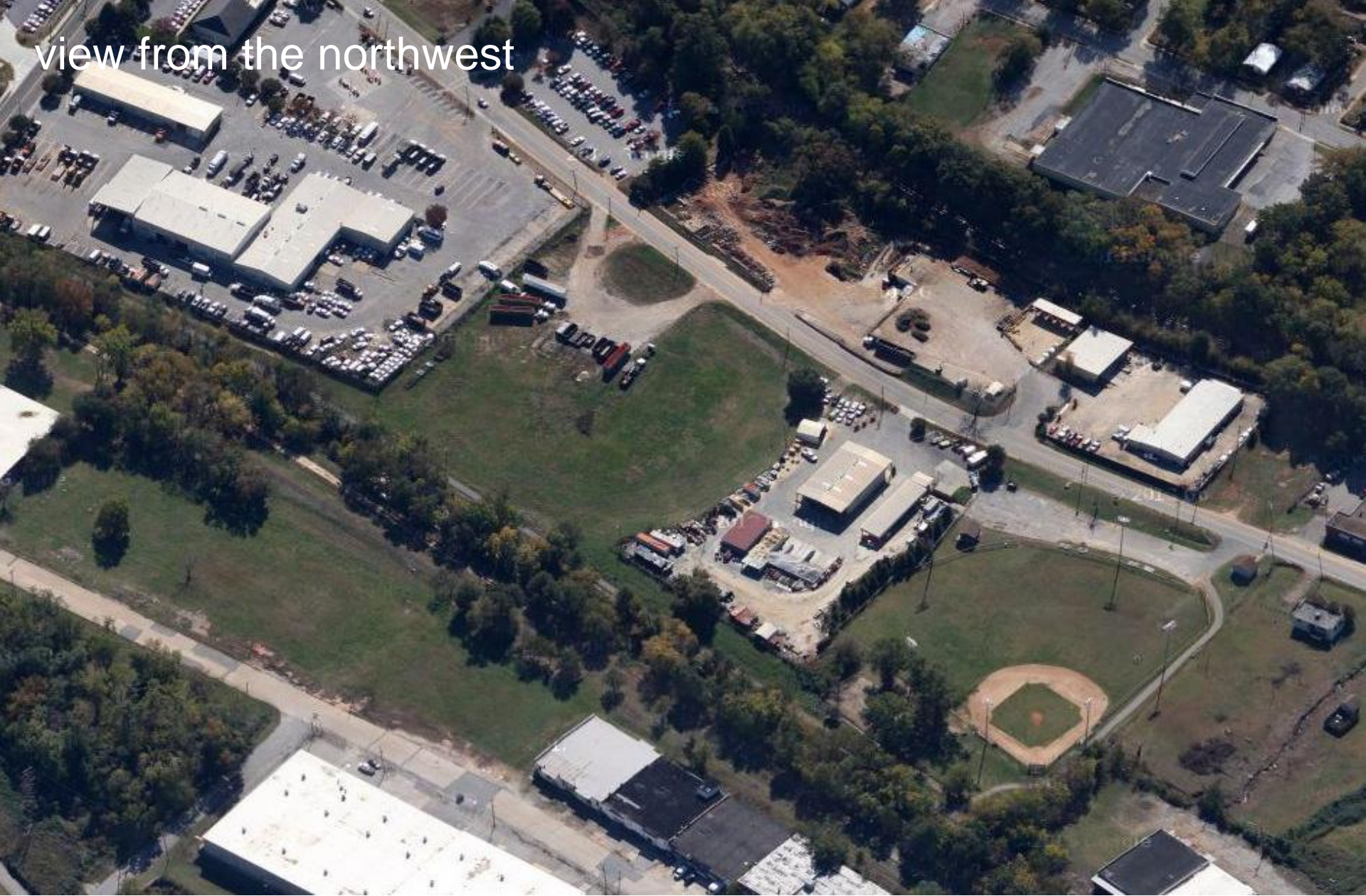


Park Site

+ Views



view from the northwest



Park Site

+ Views



view from the southeast



Park Site

+ Views





Feb. 21–28

Workshop + Charrette







# GOAL STATEMENT

CREATE A SAFE, BEAUTIFUL, SUSTAINABLE, AND UNIQUE DESTINATION; BUILDING ON THE NATURAL AND CULTURAL HERITAGE; AND SHAPING THE FUTURE AS A CATALYST FOR PROGRESS AND A STRONGER SENSE OF COMMUNITY.

CITY OF GREENVILLE  
FEB. 23, 2013

Workshop

Goal Statement



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10.	Adult Playground	4



# BIG IDEA (PART I) STATEMENT

A GATEWAY THAT BOLDLY  
EXPRESSES SUSTAINABILITY  
THROUGH CONTRASTS IN WET  
AND DRY; WEAVING A  
PATCHWORK OF SPACES, BOTH  
LARGE AND SMALL, WITH  
INTUITIVE CIRCULATION  
PATTERNS, STRONG FORMS,  
AND INTENTIONAL PLANTINGS.  
WITH CONNECTIONS TO  
DOWNTOWN AND THE  
NEIGHBORHOODS.

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thanks again to Tabernacle Baptist Church

Working

Designing in Public







Experts

+ Future Designers





skate  
Park

Dog  
Park

Play ground

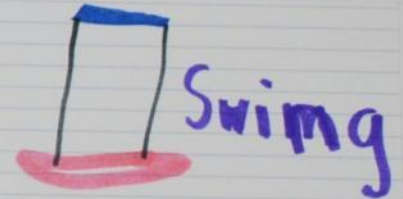
water park

Ice  
Cream


Swing +  
baby Swings

Monkey Bars

I think there  
should be a  
stage for  
plays



Long  
zip Line

  
bench

Baseball  
field

Experts

+ Future Designers

SWA+urban edge  
studio





concepts

Orange Scheme





concepts

Red Scheme





concepts

Green Scheme



## ORANGE SCHEME:

I voted for this because of the emphasis on farmers market, community garden, co-op facilities and food truck BUT lose the lake and put more teen attractions and an amphitheater.

Must acquire these sites at time of project (referring to warehouse buildings).

# The lake is too big

## Make the labyrinth big and year-round

More passive areas. No lake or less lake.

Like the curve on the Swamp Rabbit Trail



## Comments:

## Orange Scheme



Add a theme playground! Please!

This one is great. Good job!

Make the park a destination.

River should be highlighted more.

Love the path and water.

This plan is great South of the river.

Where is the covered bridge?

Walk field, Skateboard, Rock Climbing, History Wall, like back of Peace Center Amphitheater.

THINK BIG. Expanding Fall for Greenville to Worldwide/Statewide event.

Amphitheaters can provide this music like the Switzerland Jazz festivals

I love this design but would like to see space for food trucks

Need more open areas, fewer hidden sport (safety issue)

Think about France (?) with espaliered topiary fruit.



Add the dog parks!

Has everything it needs, this is great!

Like bouldering and labyrinth.

Add a Destination Playground to this design.

Orchard IDEA is cool.

Need to work on North side.

Make the labyrinth BIG and has walls, bushes



Comments:

Red Scheme



Drop community gardens

Parking and lots of green areas.

No waterway/area (leave as open space/field/lawn)

Less formal water feature.

Need to access what is most important –baseball/multi-use field.

Amphitheater, basketball courts, multi-use ball fields

No baseball - that is at Cleveland Park.

Bigger community garden

Not enough separate parking.

Please no standing water mosquito areas

Can water feature look more natural?

Keep Ball field

The baseball field should be removed in favor of a more versatile space (generic athletic space)

Like curving swamp rabbit trail – should be widened but have some calming/slow down features

The Swamp Rabbit Trail should be extra wide and STRAIGHT with some curves to the side

Not as significant change to Swamp Rabbit, some distinction is fine.

Do not change the Swamp Rabbit Trail. Thanks.

Straighten Swamp Rabbit.

LOVE the curves in the swamp rabbit.



Comments:

Red Scheme



## GREEN SCHEME:

Adding a water feature more pavilions and restrooms.

Love the open spaces and Farmers Market, community gardens

Food truck area should be close to community garden space to keep food innovation, power necessities/water needs and ingredients close.

Safety issue with private “pods”. Height restriction of shrubs, trees, plantings

Green Scheme is EXCELLENT! Without the baseball field...A properly drained field in woods back drop is a perfect pick-up ball field (softball, baseball, soccer, football, cricket, etc.)

Good luck!



Comments:

Green Scheme



# GREENVILLE CITY PARK DRAFT CONSENSUS PLAN



New Plan

Towards Consensus





A pedestrian Plaza holds the corner of Mayberry and South Hudson Streets, providing a primary access to the park. Public art anchors the plaza.

A pedestrian promenade provides a ceremonial access into the park passing through the plaza, containing a splash pad/fountains and restroom/concessions building. The axis terminates in a architectural feature that acts as a focal point and threshold to the Great Lawn.

Just off the promenade and adjacent to the upper plaza a Destination Playground is placed with convenient and open access to the Great Lawn.

Centrally located within the park with multiple access points, the Great Lawn is created as a large open space for large gatherings, festivals, concerts and other outdoor events.



New Plan

Towards Consensus







New Plan

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Two pedestrian bridges link both sides of the park crossing the Reedy River; an at-grade crossing near South Houston Street and an elevated bridge crossing the river and trails connecting to the Visitors Center.

At the high point within the park site, a Visitors Center overlooks the Great Lawn with views toward downtown and Falls Park.



Strategically placed as a trailhead with convenient access to parking, the center contains a community room, restrooms, plaza, public art, outdoor classroom and café. A stage is placed below the plaza and steps down to the Great Lawn for concerts and outdoor events.

New Plan

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Additional green and sustainable design features will be planned as the park design progresses.



# New Plan

# Towards Consensus







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Adult fitness stations are placed adjacent to the meandering trail.

A River Overlook is placed with views to the Great Lawn. Steps down to river provide river access.

A riparian buffer is proposed along the banks of the Reedy River to protect and enhance this natural feature. At key locations river enhancement is proposed to create visual and sound effects.

The parkour area is located off the Swamp Rabbit Trail to the west.

A bouldering area is placed below the elevated bridge as part of the retaining wall support system.



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Multiple picnic shelters are placed throughout the site and vary in size from small to medium size shelters to pavilions that can accommodate larger groups.

The existing baseball field is reconfigured for better solar orientation and maximum use as a multi-purpose athletic field with terraced seating and equipment storage building for programmed recreation.



Parking is provided with on-street parking along Mayberry and South Hudson Streets.

Off-street parking lots are placed along Mayberry and Welborn Streets.

Total parking provided is 400 spaces.

New Plan

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Sidewalk improvements include wider walks and a verge to help protect pedestrians along Mayberry, South Hudson and Welborn streets.

A Community Garden and Memorial Plaza are placed on the north side of Welborn Street.

An interpretive display marks the utility crossing and history of community children who crossed as a 'right of passage'.



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New Plan

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## **Goal Statement:**

Create a safe, beautiful, sustainable, and unique destination; building on the natural and cultural heritage; and shaping the future as a catalyst for progress and a stronger sense of community.

## **Concept Statement:**

A gateway that boldly expresses sustainability through contrasts in wet and dry; weaving a patchwork of spaces, both large and small, with intuitive circulation patterns, strong forms, and intentional plantings, with connections to downtown and the neighborhoods.

New Plan

Towards Consensus





# GREENVILLE CITY PARK DRAFT CONSENSUS PLAN



New Plan

Questions + Discussion





We want to know how you  
want this park to look and feel

We want you to show us your  
preferences for the following  
design elements:

Benches  
Bike Racks  
Trash Containers  
Light Fixtures  
Playgrounds  
Picnic Pavilions  
Walks + Plazas  
Bridges



Input

Visual Preference Survey





bike racks



light fixtures



trash container



benches



walks + plazas



bridges



playgrounds



picnic pavilions



instructions: there are 11 images per category. vote once only per category as follows: green = like the most; blue = like second most; and red = like the least

Input

Visual Preference Survey

SWA<sup>+</sup> urban edge  
studio





Thank You

for playing a role in Greenville's future!